

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL
B.S.A.

DATE August 31, 1961

Full Name STEUART, WILLIAM K.
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 1963 Nelawood, East Cleveland, 12, Ohio

City _____ State _____

Age 36 (This is important and should be exact)

Born Oil City, Pa. 10-7-'24
Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion Prot. Nationality _____

Occupation AFSE*FSE, DSE, OM, DSE from 1953-1961

Education High School, attended college for 2 years at Western Reserve Cleve. Inst. of Music, Cleveland, Ohio.

Weight 180 Color white Height 6'1"

Color of hair _____ Color of eyes _____

Outstanding characteristics or interests _____

Married or single single 1953 Children _____
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name _____

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

<u>Unit #</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date Reg'd.</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
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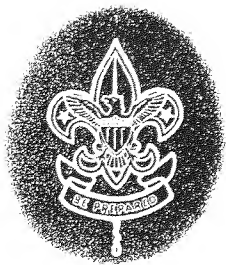


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The Greater Cleveland Council NO. 440
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
1729 Superior Avenue + Cleveland 14 Ohio

TELEPHONE • TOWER 1-6061

September 7, 1961


Mr. Basil F. Starkey, Director
Registration Service
National Council, B.S.A.
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Basil:

I am sending you the original copy of the letter which you
requested as a part of your official confidential file on
William K. Steuart.

Cordially yours,

GREATER CLEVELAND COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA


John O. Shanks
Scout Executive

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Enclosure

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This is a statement stating an unjust action which was committed to me which happen on the afternoon of August 14, 1961

It all started when I first hired here at Beaumont. Mr. Stewart was showing signs of affection to the members of the staff, and I didn't take it to mind, since he was doing it in public. But later he was demonstrating these same emotions to me in public as well as private.

An example of this when I was being driven home from relaps I had out at camp, and Mr. Stewart had his hand holding mine & sometimes it found its way down near my private. Later when I had returned to camp, I found him most friendly, and at the time I thought he was again showing me a closer sign of affection of his likeness for in a good "fellowship" spirit.

Then Monday evening about 10:30, I had decided to leave the party and head back to camp since I was pretty tired from the weekend. As I was going Mr. Stewart also decided to leave with me and a few other fellows followed along. As we were walking along, his hand came near my mine, and he decided to hold it as we walked to my cabin. He then said he would be back after "Jish" and I had talked to him for awhile, because Mr. Stewart then had a bed check round to make.

He later came back (Mr. Stewart) that is, and we started to talk on the subject about us boys. I had complete faith and confidence in Mr. Stewart, line of reasoning, and again his relationship to me was again very close. He left about 1:30 that Tuesday morning, and I spent the following in great wonderment of the man, Mr. Stewart.

My wonderment became a ugly reality the next day though, after my unfortunate experience had happened. It seems the next morning I was quite sleeping from spending most of the night from being awake. So I asked Mr. Stewart if I could spend the afternoon sleeping. He consented to my request, and later in the day I also asked him if I could use his bed, or either Mr. Stewart suggested to me to use his bed. Well anyway I thought it was mosquito free & I wouldn't be

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This is a continued statement stating an unjust action which was committed to me which happened on the afternoon of August 14, 1961 not disturbed.

Then as I sleep there for a while, Mr. Stewart came and woke me by rubbing his hand on my back. I was in a very easy position to do this since it was warm for me, and I only had my underpance on.

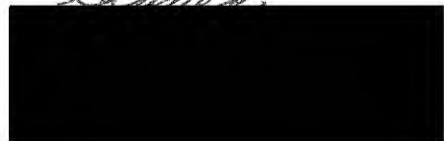
Anyway, I was starting to do most of the talking on the most interesting to me which was about myself, and he (Mr. Stewart) was getting extremely friendly. Examples of this friendliness was hugging & pecking at me in a most comfortable position; playing next to me on the bed.

This might have carried on for several hours, and later developed into Mr. Stewart playing with my pance, and private, and also loosening his pance to have me play with his by placing my hand there.

Finally over a period of time he was kissing me and masturbating me until it was finally over, and done with. Mr. Stewart had made love to me like a man would do to his wife, and asked me if I hated him for what he had done, and I told him that I did not.

Also last night at bed check, he was again playing with my private, and that is when I told my close friends of this incident.

Signed,



Signature withheld by -

Jay M. Gordon -
J. Leonard Galt
Charles R. Rzy

SEPTEMBER 1, 1961

MR. JOHN D. SHARNS
SCOUT EXECUTIVE
GREATER CLEVELAND COUNCIL, NO. 440

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
RE: WILLIAM E. STEWART

DEAR JOHN:

SKIPPER HAS ASKED ME TO ANSWER YOUR LETTER OF AUGUST 29. WE ARE VERY SORRY TO HEAR OF BILL STEWART'S DIFFICULTIES.

WE HAVE COMPLETED THE CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET FROM THE PROFESSIONAL FOLDER SO YOU WILL NOT HAVE TO DO THIS ONE.

WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE LETTER YOU MENTION FROM THE 17 YEAR OLD CAMP STAFF MEMBER. WE BELIEVE THAT THERE SHOULD BE ONE CONFIDENTIAL FILE AND THAT IS IN THE HOME OFFICE. WE PLACE ALL THESE MATERIALS UNDER LOCK AND KEY AND SHARE THEM WITH NO ONE. SINCE PERSONNEL CHANGES FROM TIME TO TIME IN A LOCAL OFFICE WE BELIEVE IT BEST THAT SUCH LETTERS NOT BE FILED THERE; IT COULD FALL INTO THE WRONG HANDS SOMETIME.

I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT UNDER THE OPERATION OF THE FILE YOUR 17 YEAR OLD CAMP STAFF MEMBER WILL NEVER BE EMBARRASSED NOR WILL THE FACT EVER BE RELEASED THAT HE MADE SUCH A STATEMENT. IN FACT, AS YOU KNOW WE WILL NEVER TELL NO ONE WHY WE WILL NOT REGISTER MR. STEWART. WE SIMPLY SAY THAT THE NATIONAL COUNCIL REFUSES TO REGISTER HIM.

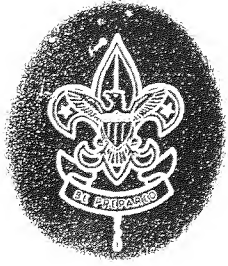
SINCERELY YOURS,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

DAVID P. STANLEY
DIRECTOR OF REGISTRATION

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August 29, 1961

Dr. Delmer H. Wilson
Director, Personnel Division
National Council
Boy Scouts of America
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Skipper:

I am very sorry to report to you that the employment of William K. Steuart, along with his position as Advisor to Post 108, has been terminated as of August 16, 1961.

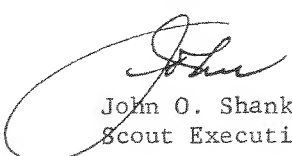
This action was taken by me with the approval of our Council President, Royal Firman, Jr., after a thorough investigation of a report of behavior unbecoming to a leader in Scouting; and I am, therefore, requesting that his name be put on the confidential list.

I have in my files a letter giving complete details of one incident which justifies this action. This letter has been written by a 17-year old member of our Camp Staff and witnessed by Jay M. Gorham, Camp Ranger; A. Leonard Jasper, District Executive and Camp Program Director; and Charles A. Preyer, Director of Camping.

If you need further details in order to carry out our request, please let me know. Mr. Steuart's home address is 1963 Nela-wood Avenue, Cleveland 12, Ohio.

Cordially yours,

GREATER CLEVELAND COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA


John O. Shanks
Scout Executive

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